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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Washington, Dec. 16.—For lower Michigan: Generally fair; clearing on the lakes; slightly colder in southern portion; west winds.

EMOTION IN RELIGION.

It is said to be a "fad," in what is known as "society," to vigorously restrain all expression of emotion. It is considered vulgar to laugh heartily, to shed a tear, or to applaud the effort of any man or woman, no matter how brilliant it may be. An air of supercilious contempt of all mankind is considered an indication of high breeding. In fact, this is a morbid condition. Such an air of assumed indifference to all mundane affairs is pure snobbishness. Instead of being the mark of a true nobility, it is rather an attribute of the dullest. This fad is the result, no doubt, of a certain form of culture, a reaction from that emotionalism that is sappy, voluble and shallow. That, too, is morbid. The woman that begins to snifle at the slightest provocation is properly considered hysterical, and the man that cannot argue without raving is naturally considered a crank. The happy medium between these two extremes is the pleasant one. We do not love an iceberg, and we cannot admire a simpleton. If religion is the highest, noblest attribute of man's being, it should not be put in a straight jacket; neither should it become an object of ridicule. What would we think of a husband who should tell everybody he met how much he loved his wife or of a woman who went to all her neighbors and tried to exhaust the English language in telling how much she loved her dear husband? Do we not all know that the mighty emotions of love, of religious faith, and of patriotism are too deep for utterance? We do not expect a man to carry his love on his sleeve; but neither do we admire him if he is but a pillar of salt. Happy is that man who has learned and chosen the golden medium in all things.

ANSAULTING INNOCENCE.

On Tuesday last The Herald printed exclusively the story of the outrage perpetrated on the previous Saturday evening, upon a young woman residing in the eastern part of the city. The girl's name was suppressed, in order that needless shame might not be brought upon the innocent. The police also kept the matter quiet for the same reason, though every effort was made to capture her assailant. Under these conditions it remained for The Evening Press, one week after the assault, to give to the public the name of the unfortunate girl. No possible end of justice could be served by so doing and it would seem The Evening Press was instigated by a mere desire to emulate the flash papers, and commit another assault by parading prurient details under the garb of being "independent," though had the girl belonged to any other than the poorer class of citizens, the name would probably not have been paraded under any circumstances. The whole affair is a painful one to the family of the young girl who, through no fault of her own, is the victim of man's brutality and entitled to the protection of all men with the instincts of humanity and endowed with the proper respect for the names, mother, sister and wife; this canon of decency the publication of her name breaks.

THE GOSPEL OF THE VIOLIN.

Popular usage has so broadened the term, gospel, that it no longer is restricted to the ancient message of the man of Nazareth but is applied to any teaching or philosophical system intended to elevate humanity. It is entirely proper to speak of the gospel of music because when properly used there is no human agency that has greater power over the souls of men. Certain men it is true are insensitive to music's charms, but their number is not very great. Most animals are more or less moved by the sound of a musical instrument, and some very savage animals can be tamed with it. Most men, too, can be tamed by the same wonderful power, and they can be wrought up to a high pitch of emotion by certain grades of music. This subtle agency seems adapted to every impulse of the soul, and every passion of the body, arousing each according to the melody employed. Its nearly general consent the violin is acknowledged to be the most wonderful musical instrument ever invented by man. It is almost unlimited in its range, and in the hands of a master its sweet strains will sway an audience as perhaps on no other power on earth can. If, then, a man can move his fellow to laughter or tears at his will by the greatest of instruments, can he not, and does he not, preach the gospel most effectively in this way? It is true that the violin does at times exercise a baneful influence as it appeals to the base passions, and the man who uses it for that purpose is an enemy of the public good. On the other hand the artist who commends his wonderful gifts to the work of lifting souls out of animalism and up into the realm of lofty sentiment, is a public benefactor and

should be recognized as such. Money spent in cultivating the musical gift, or in gratifying the love of high art, is money well spent. "Man shall not live by bread alone," he cannot truly live if only a part of his being is fed. It seems evident that the man who does not love a beautiful picture, a graceful statue, or a noble strain of music only half lives. If The Herald's readers ever again have the opportunity of hearing Henry Martineau play the violin, as perhaps no other man in the world can play it, they will also hearing the gospel preached from the greatest of preachers if they neglect the opportunity.

FREE SILVER PARTY.

The convention of free silver advocates which has just met in Washington will be apt to have considerable influence upon the future of the two old political parties. It is proposed by Senators Stewart and Jones of Nevada and Master Workman Sovereign to form a new party, the fundamental principle of its platform to be the free coinage of silver. In the discussion of the subject Friday, Messrs. Stewart and Sovereign, after some rather spirited debate, met on common ground that the interests of labor will be more surely advanced by directing the energies of all classes interested to the agitation of the silver question until that is favorably settled. Then the silver interests of the west will be expected to act in a spirit of reciprocity and lend its aid to the solution of the labor problem in the way that shall seem most effective to the labor leaders. All of which portends a movement that is likely to develop a considerable amount of influence unless one or the other of the old parties shall take up the currency question in a way that will be satisfactory to the friends of silver. Ex-Governor Luce the other day criticizing one of Michigan's leading congressmen for his vote on the repeal of the Sherman law, expressed the opinion that the farmers of the state considered the repeal of that law, without any substitute therefor, as a political crime which they would be quick to avenge at the polls. The repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman act was demanded by all the people. It was charged with being the cause of our panic and for that reason every one was willing that it should be removed. Yet there is a deep-rooted conviction in the minds of the farmers and the mechanics of the land that the use of silver should not only be continued, but its circulation and use as money should be more extended in the future than in the past. This conviction found expression in the passage of a free coinage bill by a democrat house of representatives, and in the creation of the Sherman law as a compromise measure by a republican senate. The democrat party has an element within its ranks with strong convictions in favor of free silver. In fact, until after the present administration came into power, a majority of the democrat party was supposed to favor free coinage. With the record it has now made, practically favoring a gold basis, it will be more than ordinarily easy for the silver men to forsake the old party and form affiliations. For these reasons the movement to form a new party will prove an important political factor, formidable alike to both parties, unless one or the other of them is willing to be an acceptable advocate of currency reform.

There are persons in this world who, when unmoved by passion, delight in the tortures of a human being. Such men are no better than brutes, even if they are not known as such. There are others who never figure or do not care if a seeming advantage to them will cost the young and innocent a lifetime of disgrace and humiliation, for that which they are in no way to be censured. Such men are too base to be called human.

SAMUEL GOMPERS has again triumphed over his enemies and been elected president of the Federation of Labor. Mr. Gompers has many warm opponents within the order, and for several years each meeting has found them growing in numbers. The narrow majority which he obtained yesterday seems to point to his joining Mr. Powderly in retirement unless sentiment shall change.

CHICAGO seems to have become aroused to the presence of a lot of homeless and hungry people in her midst and has set about to feed them. The fact that free food and lodgings are plenty is attracting the hungry from the outside and now Chicago registers a kick and a righteous one at that. It is enough that every community takes care of its own poor without importing more.

When all of Uncle Sam's territories have been advanced to statehood by acts of congress outrages in that line must cease. It is an outrage upon the great manufacturing, commercial and more populous states of the union that sparsely settled sections are given equal representation in the United States senate for no other reason than advantage to party.

HAWAII is to go it alone, according to Minister Thurston. Well, after the way Cleveland and Gresham attempted to overthrow the republic, it is no cause for wonder that the Hawaiians desire no more entangling alliances.

FRANK LAWREN'S persistence is to be rewarded with an office. Grover evidently desires to encourage the development of his strongest personal characteristics in others.

How much longer will we be obliged to wait before Cleveland will tell the country what his exact instructions to Minister Willis were.

BOVEY BROWN and his methods of dealing with pensioners of course under Cleveland, were rightly rebuked in congress yesterday.

IN A CYCLONE'S PATH

A House to Which a Mother and Children Fled

WIPED FROM OFF THE EARTH

One of the Children Was Killed and Two Are Missing—The Mother Escaped Uninjured.

MADISON, Ark., Dec. 16.—This place and vicinity was visited last evening by a cyclone. Not much damage was done in the city, but a visible whirling mass of clouds was seen to gather strength and intensity passing over this place in a northeasterly direction. Three miles from town the great volume of clouds swept down the plantation of Cornelius Johnson and every building on the place except two was completely demolished. The corn which was housed was scattered over a hundred-acre field. The wind appeared to jump from this place over to the plantation of George Warnock, and there the greatest destruction, so far as heard from, occurred. Warnock's farm, consisting of his wife and three children, seeing the cyclone coming sought shelter in the house, which was wiped off the earth. Nothing but the blocks and a portion of the chimney remained to tell where the house stood. One of the children was found dead and the other two have not been found at the last report. The wife escaped with only a few bruises. It is confidently expected that greater loss of life and property occurred further on, as the funnel-shaped cloud appeared to grow stronger as it progressed. The cyclone was preceded by a deluge of rain, mixed with hail.

Swept by a Cyclone.

COUNEATA, La., Dec. 16.—This place was visited by a cyclone shortly after midnight this morning which demolished the Masonic hall and several negro lodging houses. Shade trees and fences were laid low and several buildings were unroofed. No one was killed.

MAYOR STUART'S CALL.

He Issues a Proclamation to Citizens of Grand Rapids.

In answer to the governor's second proclamation calling for aid for the suffering miners, Mayor Stuart addresses the following to citizens of Grand Rapids: "The visiting committee appointed to examine into the condition of the suffering miners in the northern peninsula has made its report, which has been published and describes the situation as calling for immediate and continued aid. The governor has issued a second proclamation calling for further action throughout the state, and our citizens were the first to respond to a former call. The severity of the weather and the need of aid in that inclement region does not relax. Let us therefore not relax our efforts, and although our generous people will have a heavy burden to provide for the destitute, the bridge across our waters, yet we must do our full share towards the relief of these citizens of our commonwealth. I therefore call upon all citizens, churches, societies, fraternal and other organizations to lend their aid in contributing money, provisions of all kinds and clothing especially for women and children. When all take part the burden of each will be light. Clothing may be left at vacant room 107 (ground floor) Michigan Trust company building and will be properly forwarded. Provisions reported to the city and sent to The Herald or to myself will be also properly forwarded. Respectfully, "WILLIAM J. STUART, Mayor."

DEATH OF MISS LYON.

One of the Earliest Settlers of Grand Rapids Passes Away.

Miss Lucetta Lyon died last evening in the residence of her nephew, the Hon. George W. Thayer, on North Ionia street at the advanced age of 86 years. She has been a resident of this city for more than half a century, and was one of its very earliest settlers. Miss Lucetta Lyon was born in Shelburne, Vermont, October 21, 1817. She was given the most polished education that the schools and seminaries of New England afforded in those days. Her brother, Lucius Lyon, was the first territorial delegate from Michigan to congress and was a member when Michigan was admitted as a state. In 1840 Lucius Lyon bringing with him Miss Lyon, came to Grand Rapids and since that time she has been a resident of the city. Lucius Lyon was a senator from Michigan at one time and Miss Lyon spent one winter with him in Washington. She was without doubt one of the most cultured women in Michigan. The culture and fine tastes which a high education give remained with her to the last. She is the last of her immediate family, all her brothers and sisters having passed away before her.

A. D. HAWLEY DEAD.

A Former Grand Rapids Attorney Passed Away at Alameda.

A. D. Hawley, formerly an attorney in this city, died Friday night at the home of his sister, Mrs. Frank Snow, in California. Mr. Hawley was a bright young man of great energy and the highest integrity. He practiced but a few years when that dreaded disease, consumption, fastened upon him and he went west for his health. For a time he grew better, but last fall he began failing again. During the summer he taught school in Dakota, but had to give that up. A few weeks ago he came home to die. He was about 30 years old and a son of Peter Hawley of Dorset, Allegan county. He was married some years ago, but two years ago Mrs. Hawley died of the same dreaded disease. They leave no children.

THEY ARE STATE CHARGES.

Insane Veterans Must Be Sent to the Asylum at State Expense.

A few months ago J. A. Hovey, an inmate of the Soldiers' home became insane, and the board ordered him sent to his home in Paris, Meconta county. It was supposed the state constitution, which regulates the place of residence, would hold good in a case of insanity as well as in a case of voting. The board consulted Attorney General Ellis, who advised the board that insane inmates of the Soldiers' home are state charges, and must be cared for by the state, not the county from which they came when they entered the home.

Another Friendly Group.

A meeting was held at the residence of N. B. Clark, No. 13 Charles street, last evening for the purpose of organizing a friendly group for charitable work. Organized G. N. Wagner was present and officers were elected as follows: President, W. H. Kinney; vice

president, J. H. Finley; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. N. B. Clark; chairman of investigating committee, Mrs. J. D. Harrison. The next meeting will be held in the residence of Mrs. H. M. Johnson, No. 16 Charles street, Wednesday evening. All persons residing between Wealthy avenue and Cherry street and from Henry street east to the city limits are invited to be present.

Lincoln Club Meeting.

A meeting of the Lincoln Republican club will be held in the club rooms Thursday evening at 8 o'clock sharp. The general subject for discussion will be: "Tariff Legislation and Legislators." Charles W. Watkins in charge. Gen. R. M. Outchison will talk about early tariff laws. John C. Clay and Earl of 1821, John C. Calhoun and the compromise of 1852; the tariff of 1840. William Alden Smith will talk about the tariff of 1893, its supporters and results.

Ralph Stone will read an essay upon the subject of "Bill McKinley and the McKinley Bill," and George Clapperton will discuss the proposed tariff of 1893 and its results. The club will be in attendance. A cordial invitation is extended not only to club members and republicans generally, but to all who are interested in the foregoing subjects.

Was a Cowardly Act.

William Reed, employed at Binell's factory, was run down near the head of Monroe street last evening by a careless driver. The rig was being driven very rapidly, and though the driver of the rig saw Mr. Reed was seriously hurt to rise, he whipped up his horse and drove rapidly away. Mr. Reed was taken to his room at the Lincoln house on Spring street, where Dr. Johnston attended him. He is bruised about the head and face and is internally injured.

Peculiar Insurance Case.

Judge Grove yesterday morning heard a case in chambers which involves a rather peculiar point of law. In 1894 Reuben F. Boston of Boone township insured his barn, granary and contents in the Farmers' Mutual Benefit association. Later he built an entirely new barn and granary, which were burned down after being filled with grain. He now wants his insurance, but the company says it did not insure those buildings.

Burial Permits.

Julia M. Smith, No. 65 Spring street, Valley City, John J. Leach, No. 15 South Waterloo street, Greenwood; George Miller, No. 328 Hamilton street, Grant, Michigan; C. L. Rose, U. B. A. home, Sparta; James E. Wood, No. 63 South Division street, St. Andrews; Pelagia Sekorska, No. 580 East Bridge street, Mt. Calvary; Robert Earl Beverly, No. 60 Ellsworth avenue, Valley City.

He Wanted Oats.

A poor little old mule with ribs which were plainly visible through his shaggy coat, stood in front of the Clark Grocery company's store on Lyon street yesterday. The boys in the store printed a large card with the following legend: "Oats Wanted. Inquire Within," and hung it on the poor brute. The card and mule combined to cause a great deal of amusement to all passers-by.

A Year For Each Dollar.

Alex Visser, charged with stealing an overcoat from The Bridge street house, was convicted in the superior court and yesterday Judge Burlingame sentenced him to four years in Jackson prison. The court was worth about \$4. Judge Burlingame read the riot act to the culprit in a manner that seemed to make him feel worse than the sentence of four years.

Press Club Symposium Today.

The committee appointed to arrange for a Press club symposium has prepared a program of music and the club will meet in its rooms at 4 o'clock sharp today to listen to it. A light luncheon will be served during the performance. All members of the club with their wives and best girls will be present at 4 p. m.

Contagious Diseases.

Louise Allen, No. 25 Carrier street, scarlet fever. Baby Neuman, No. 275 North Union street, diphtheria. Helen S. Jones, No. 564 South Union street, chicken pox.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

Oscar Wilde's much mooted drama "Lady Windermere's Fan" was produced by Charles Frohman's company to a large audience in The Powers last night. The story of the play is a familiar one to readers of The Herald. Whether such plays as "Lady Windermere's Fan" will live long is questionable, but the fact remains the same that the dramatist in this case has sacrificed action for splendidly clever dialogue in the form of epigrams which have the edge of a rapier and are with the fire of acid. Nothing like it has ever shown the sham and mockery of society of the present day, at least not in this form. Laughter and tears are so close together that the dividing line grows so misty that it is discerned with difficulty. The famous third act, the scene is Lord Darlington's apartments, in which a clique of London roses ridicule everything which honorable men revere in woman, because of mother and sisters; is remarkably strong. For here Mrs. Elynor, a woman with a past, and Lady Windermere, an unknown mother, proclaim herself a wanton to save her daughter from a fate like hers. The antithesis is a shock and tears take the place of laughter. The good characters in the play are few, and fortunately the few are made of clever people. Miss Virginia Harwood was superb in the difficult role of Mrs. Elynor. As a clever woman, who had made a mistake and was endeavoring to regain her lost place in society, losing it to save the child she had deserted, recklessness, satire, tenderness, pathos and love followed each other in bewildering rapidity. One moment pleading with her child, who does not know her mother, the next parrying a shaft of rapier like wit with an epigram of vitrol is work which tests the ability of an actress. Miss Campbell was disappointing as Lady Windermere. She lacks the force to accord to the demands of emotional scenes. Lord Windermere is weak, the weakest character of the piece, and Frank Gilmore's portrayal was in keeping. Howard Hansel was a mainly Lord Darlington. J. G. Saville did an excellent bit of character work as Lord Augustus Lorton. That clever comedian Herbert Ayling, who will be remembered as Captain Redwood in "Jim, the Penman," had little to do as Charles Dumbly. Mrs. E. J. Phillips work as the duchess of Berwick was delightful. The balance of the cast was medium.

Received a Heavy Fall.

Coranella Vanderveide, a sister of Detective Cornelius Gast, slipped on the sidewalk near Friedman's store on Monroe street at 6 o'clock last evening and was so seriously injured that the ambulance was called to remove her to Mr. Gule's home. She resides on a farm about two miles east of the city.

There will be a meeting of the board of trade tomorrow night. A full attendance is desired, as the important matter of expenditures for the coming year will be discussed. The matter of moving into other quarters where rent will be less will be taken under consideration.

N. S. Crocker of No. 330 Paris avenue hitched his horse in front of The Barnard house last night for fifteen minutes and when he came back it had been driven away. A half hour later it was captured on using North street bridge.

A boarder at the Ohio house on Canal street reported to the police yesterday that an attempt had been stolen from his room.

Richard Hicks and Guy Starvo were arrested on Lyon street at a late hour last night for breach of the peace.

OH MY HOW NICE

Working Women Must Be Kept in Their Places

HOW THEY ARE TO BE "RAISED"

Spirited Debate Between Members of the Ladies' Literary Club After Adjournment—One True Woman.

A group of three or four ladies yesterday afternoon were engaged in what seemed to be a somewhat heated interview, when a Herald reporter approached and learned that they had just come from the Ladies' Literary club rooms and were discussing the new plan that was adopted by the club in the meeting that had just adjourned, and which embraced the idea of opening the club house for the benefit of such women as would appreciate the advantages afforded by the society entertainments, but who are deterred from membership. One of the group, a handsome, stylish woman, whose bearing and rhetoric labeled her to the manor born, was heard to express herself most emphatically, and to this effect:

Working Women Know Most.

"We, members of this club, are far behind the spirit and liberal culture of the day if we think ourselves capable of giving material assistance in the way of enlightenment to what we so condescendingly call the 'working women' of the city. Why, the music teachers, public school teachers, type writers, librarians and the business women in the stores are better posted on current literature, current history and the art culture and ethical culture of the day than is one-half of our exclusive club. Why, their very independence, the many and varied experiences of their daily lives bring them so in rapport with the wider horizon of human life and its many phases. 'Working women,' indeed! Why, the working women could give us lessons worth our learning in any of the fields we explore in our club meetings, and we must admit," the speaker hesitated a moment as if to weigh her words and place the right value, "we must admit that in the matter of courtesy and kindness to others of her sex, the working women of this very city could give some very profitable object lessons to some of us who pride ourselves on our helpfulness, and lessons that it would be well for us to learn and which will be forced upon us in the light of the new thought of a wider and more loving brotherhood, which I suppose includes the sisterhood."

Must Keep Up Social Barriers.

Her interlocutor was evidently on the defensive, and her face flushed somewhat as she replied: "Oh, yes; what you say may be largely true, but you know we must draw the line somewhere, or the social barriers will be broken down. If no one but the teachers, or those of whom you speak, will take advantage of the invitation, why, they can be kept at a distance sufficient to preclude any presumptuous ambition they may hold of gaining a social recognition through this innovation, but for my part I want it distinctly understood that no shop girl or servant girl shall ever sit in the chairs of the Ladies' Literary club rooms, and I continue to remain a member, I am willing to do all I can to alleviate the masses, but social standards must be upheld."

The Debate Adjourned.

A fine hush came over the face of the first speaker, and something flashed from her eyes that looked like the light that plays around the aurora borealis, but she did not speak again. Perhaps she was recounting "history." The reporter pulled himself together and in a dazed way groped his way to the office, but all to himself he was trying to make out for dead sure if the second speaker on this, the "new thought," was neighbor or cousin. German or other near relative of a woman of high social, religious and literary standing, who could be courteous enough to cooingly invite her poodle dog into the warmth and comfort of her pleasant room, while curtly slamming the door in the face of a clerk whose labored work had kept him out in the storm and cold of a winter's night.

Music at St. Mark's.

The semi-monthly praise service at St. Mark's church will be given tonight. The program will comprise solos, a trio, an octet and choruses, selected from the works of Felix Mendelssohn and Bartholdy. The following order of pieces will be observed: Solo and Chorus—Lord My God..... 15th Psalm Miss Chamberlain and Chorus. Solo—Lord God of Abraham..... Elijah Mr. Campbell. Trio—Lift Thine Eyes..... Elijah Miss Chamberlain, Mrs. Mahon, Mrs. Lilley. Solo—But the Lord is Mindful of the Lowly..... St. Paul Miss Chamberlain. Solo and Chorus—O for the Wings of a Dove..... Miss Johnson and Chorus.

Died Very Suddenly.

John Vanderveide, a bachelor residing at No. 315 Alpine avenue, was found dead in his bed last evening by a neighbor who called on him. Vanderveide lived alone and has been about until within a few days when he was taken with the grip, and was obliged to go to bed. He did not receive very good care, although the neighbors have done for him all they were able. Coroner Bradish was called and decided that he died from the effects of the grip. Vanderveide had been a bartender and somewhat dissipated.

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WHAT DO YOU WANT FOR CHRISTMAS?

Something Very Sensible and Useful of course This Season.

Ladies and Gentlemen are coming in squads for our

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XMAS WEEK.

During the next six days, which are the last you will have in which to buy presents, we shall make a special effort to sell our share of useful articles. This is the year when money should not be wasted. If presents are to be made let them be useful ones, and if there is nothing you want that is needed in the household then send your money to some charity organization, home or hospital, or to some worthy family of your acquaintance.



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